



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION**

REPAIR GARAGE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Article 1, section 105 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states... a permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following: ... to use a structure as a place of business for servicing or repairing motor vehicles. See Article 29. Additional requirements may be applicable.

Provide a minimum of one 40BC portable fire extinguisher within 30 feet (9144mm) of all work areas. Combination ABC extinguishers are permitted. Extinguishers are to be mounted at eye level, and it is recommended they be placed near exit paths. An additional 40BC portable fire extinguisher is required in all repair pits.

Flammable liquids shall not be used to clean parts, equipment or floors. Flammable liquids and waste oils shall be stored in approved containers. No transfer of gasoline in any garage shall be made in an open container. Safety cans shall be used for the storage of all flammable liquids.

Oily rags and similar material shall be stored in metal, metal-lined, or other approved containers equipped with tight fitting covers.

All compressed gas bottles in use or storage shall be secured to prevent falling or accidentally being knocked over. This includes empty bottles. Welding or cutting operations shall not take place in flammable liquid storage areas. Welding and cutting shall be in accordance with Article 49 of the Fire Code.

Devices capable of igniting flammable vapors shall be a minimum of 18 inches (457.2mm) from the floor. Smoking and open flame devices shall be prohibited in areas used for servicing internal combustion engines.

Additional permits are required for the following: service station operation, storage of more than 5 gallons (18.9L) of flammable liquids inside a building, or more than 10 gallons (37.85L) of a flammable liquid outside a building, spray painting, flammable liquid dip tanks, and LP-gas installations.

Approved numbers or addresses shall be placed and maintained on all new and existing buildings in such a position as to be plainly visible and legible from the street fronting the property.

Additional design requirements for repair garages where LNG, LP gas or liquid fuels are also present, exhaust inlets shall also be within 6 inches (152.4mm) of the floor.

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Requirements _____
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